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No More Dues in Incorporation Club

In Order that all may Attend and Become Familiar with Subject no Dues to be Charged

Members and Visitors Hear Re popts from Various Towns as to Taxes, Salaries, Paid Revenues, etc.; By-Laws Adopted

Those who attended the meeting of the Incorporation Club of Niles Tuesday evening were rewarded by hearing a vast number of facts and figures secured from various sources as to what it is costing other towns of a like size to maintan a municipal government.

The committee which had been appointed at the previous meeting to prepare an approximate list of receipts and expenditures and to figure on approximate tax rate submitted their figures and their list, at the same time stating that they had padded the expense account all out of proportion. Following are the figures submitted by this committee:

Expenses.

Maintenance of streets (including repairs, sprinkling and water)	$2200.00
Marshal (to serve at night...	900.00
Street lights (17 lights as at present)	336.00
City Clerk salary	300.00
Care of pipe line from Mayhew canyon	1000.00
Miscellaneous (including legal and other expenses	1000.00
Total	5736.00

Revenues.

Taxes at $1.00 on each $100 valuation	$3000.00
Saloon licenses	1500.00
Business Licenses (43 places of business at $3 per quarter	516.00
Miscellaneous licenses and permits	720.00
Total	$5736.00

These figures would seem to show that it would cost the taxpayer $1.00 more each year on each $100 assessed valuation than he is now paying, but this is not so for we are now paying a road tax of 40 cents to the county and this would be remitted, furthermore the above figures are away too high. The figure submitted for instance for the care of the Mayhew pipe line is at least $500 too high.

Another heavy expense shown in the above list is the item of street maintenance which was fixed at $2200, of this sum $1300 was to be used in sprinkling. Palo Alto with a population of over 40,000 only spent $1400 for sprinkling last year so this figure too, appears to be very high.

It will be noted that $1000 was set down for miscellaneous expenses, yet towns many times the size of Niles spend no such amount for miscellaneous items.

This list of expenses could be cut at least $1000 and still leave the town officials sufficient funds to carry on a successful administration and a cut of $1000 would mean that tax payers of the town would pay but 27 cents more on each $100 assessed valuation than they are paying today.

The by-laws committee submitted a rough draft of a set of by-laws and these were adopted after a motion had been carried to eliminate all dues. This move was made in order that all who are interested in any way in the town may join the club.

YOUNG MEN WANTED who desire to earn better salaries and do more congenial work. If able to read and write, and ambitious to succeed, we can qualify you for a position as mechanical, electric, steam, civil or mining engineer, architect, etc. Write at once, stating position wanted. Address I. C. S., Box 265, Oakland, Calif.

Motorcyclist Collides With Rider of Bicycle

A reckless rider of a motorcycle collided with Sammy Fong, a Chinese lad, last Sunday evening, and after knocking the boy down and smashing his wheel, sped on up the highway without stopping to inquire if he had seriously hurt the boy.

Constable Rose phoned to several towns in an attempt to head off the motor rider, but was unsuccessful.

Young Fong escaped with a number of minor bruises, but his wheel was badly wrecked.

WASHINGTON PARLOR INSTALLS OFFICERS

A most interesting meeting of Washington Parlor, N. S. G. W. was held this week at Centerville and officers installed for the evening term.

The parlor was favored by a visit from two officers of the Grand Lodge who assisted in the ceremonies.

After the session the members adjourned to the Gregory House where a banquet was served and made doubly enjoyable with good music and excellent speeches as side orders.

Rural Route Has New Carrier

The examinations which were conducted at Hayward some time back for the position of rural route carrier at Niles, resulted in the selection of Marsten Dassell to fill the position.

Young Dassell who is at present employed by the S. P. R. R. received a high percentage and Sidney Tyson was second.

Dassell will cover a route approximately fifty miles long and including the present Newark route which will be consolidated with the Niles route.

The new route will take the following course: Niles to Mission San Jose, to Irvington, to Centerville, to Newark, to Alvarado, to Decoto, to Niles. Mail picked up between Niles and Newark will be deposited at Newark and all mail received from Newark on will be deposited at Niles.

Delivery will be made with an automobile, Dassell having already purchased a machine from Rose Bros.

The new carrier will take his position April 1st.

Warm Springs

Frank Enos Jr. who had been on the sick list for quite a while expired his last on the fifth day of this month. Deceased was eighteen years and five months old. Interment was in the Milpitas cemetery. He left behind his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Enos, five brothers and four sisters to mourn his loss.

Miss Dora Bem from Berkeley is visiting Mrs. A. P. Gularte, Jr., at Warm Springs.

Mrs. A. P| Gularte and sister, Adeline Hendricks, went to San Jose last week.

Manuel Briar who was operated on for appendicitis last Monday is reported to be doing well.

Antone Lawrence who was operated on for appendicitis is home again and is recovering rapidly.

Mr. A. H. Azevedo and family rode to San Jose last Saturday on a business trip.

Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Brown visited at their home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bruno and son motored to Campbel last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dutra and friends from Milpitas visited Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Silveria.

Chas. Warren & Co. have bought a dredger lately and are continuing the work, building levies on their property.

Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. H. Allard motored from Oakland to visit them Saturday.

Mr. Joseph Rodgers suffered the loss of his father who passed away last week n Hayward.

Mrs. F. P. Silva and son made a visit trip on Sunday.

Honor Patron Saint

St. Patrick's Day was fittingly celebrated in Niles by an Entertainment given last night, which was well attended in spite of a drizzeling rain, which fell all evening.

Singing of the old songs dear to the hearts of every Irishman, brought storms of applause, not only from the natives of the Emerald Isle, but from those whose sympathies are with the wearers of the green, and to say that the affair was a great succes is to put it light.

The program over the birthday of St. Patrick was finished out with a dance which lasted until the early hours of the morning.

Following is the program given last evening:

1. Overture — Imperial Orchestra
   Mr. Jas. Enos, Mr. M. Duarte, Mr. A. Rezendes
2. Tableau—"Come Back to Erin."
   Erin—Miss Julia Keller. Brian Boru—Mr. P. Whitfield, Daniel O'Connell, Mr. B. Murphy
3. Song—"St. Patrick's Day" — Niles Choir Chours
4. Song—"Dear Little Shamrock" — Niles Choir Chorus
5. Vocal Solo — Miss Hester Rose
6. Song—My Jacqubminot — Miss Edna Tyson
7. Sketch — Mr. Flores
8. Song—"Tim Rooney's at the Fightin"—
   Master Paul Donovan and Chorus
9. Song—"The Low Backed Car" — Niles Choir Chorus
10. Song—"My Little Colleen"—
    Mrs. M. Duarte, Miss Flora Lanfri and Chorus
11. Sketch — Mrs. Chester Hatch
12. Song—"My Own Home Love" — Mrs. M. Duarte
13. Song—"Killarney" — Mr. Victor LaGrave
14. Song—Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ral — Miss Flora Lanfri
15. Selection — Mr. and Mrs. Hal Angus
16. Song—"When You and I Were Young, Maggie—
    Miss Ida Lanfri and Chorus
17. Fancy Dances — Mr. M. Duarte
18. Song—"Where the River Shannon Flows" — Mr. Bud Jamison

Niles Choir Chorus—Evelyn Garcia, Flora Lanfri, Ida Lanfri, Mrs. Katie Duarte, Mary Ribeiro, Mamie Enos, Agnes Enos, Virgie Enos, Vera Scott, Kathleen Keller, Janie Keller, Vivian Goff.

GEO. L. DONOVAN, DIRECTOR

Purely Personal Pickups

Mrs. Childs, an inmate of the Masonic Home, passed away at that place Tuesday afternoon. The funeral was held Thursday, Rev. C. L. Hyde officiating.

Mrs. Belle Abernathy of Berkeley is a visitor at the Thane home.

Mrs. E. Crothers and Mrs. Donald Moore left Wednesday morning for Quebec, Canada, where they will spend the summer.

Miss Lila McKinna of San Francisco is a guest this week of Mrs. J. C. Shinn.

Miss M. W. Shinn and Mrs. Chas. Shinn are spending the week in San Francisco, Oakland and Ukiah.

Miss Dorothy Wallace of San Jose has been entertained during the past week by Mrs. C. B. Overacker.

Miss Irene Howland of San Francisco was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. B. L. Tyson. Miss Howland is vocal tutor to Miss Edna Tyson.

Mrs. C. H. Hatch has been enjoying a visit for several weeks from an older brother of Butte, Montana.

George Rose was an Oakland business visitor Monday.

Dr. Taylor and wife paid the City a visit Monday.

A. O. Lindeburgh was a bussiness visitor in the city Tuesday.

Prof. Maria Sanford of the University Extension Department made an interesting talk at the grammar school yesterday afternoon on "The Influence of Good Art and Good Literature."

Miss Ethel Edgecombe of Nova Scotia has spent a portion of the winter and will remain for the spring months as the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. R. D. Edgecomb at the California gravel works.

The Macey family who have been occupying Mrs. Cloug's cottage have moved into one of Mrs. Fonte's cottages in the canyon.

FOR RENT—Store on most prominent corner in Niles For particulars apply to Mrs. Ida Easterday, Niles.

The School Trustees made some purchases last week for the Domestic Science Department of the Niles Grammar School.

Mr. Richard Jameson who has been in the employ of the Alameda County Water District for the past eighteen months, has been appointed City Engineer of Alameda.

The wedding of Mr. Kuelman Salz and Miss Mildred Peterson will take place on April the 12th, at the bride's home in Oakland. They will reside in Benicia where Mr. Salz has a home awaiting his bride.

F. V. ones attended the meeting of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club Wednesday evening.

Spare time can be turned into knowledge and knowledge into $$$$$$. Ask Fray, the I. C. S. man, what he can do for you. Address P. O. Box 265 Oakland, Cal.

Rev. C. L. Hyde attended the meeting of the Bay Association of Congregational Churches which was held at Hayward Tuesday.

An election will be held on April 7th for the purpose of selecting a grammar school trustee and two high school trustees, the terms of J. C. Shinn and F. T. Hawes having expired.

Mrs. Chalmers was a city visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Estelle Joyce, Mrs. R. H. Kelly, Mrs. Gus. Pioda of San Francisco, with Mrs. E. M. Shipley of Oakland, spent Tuesday last with Mrs. M. B. Sneden.

The United Artisans gave a most enjoable social on Tuesday evening, there being about fifty people present. Cards formed the amusement of the evening. Miss Kate Little of Centerville and Mr. Wright of the California Nursery made the highest scores and were awarded the prizes. Mr. Lord and Mrs. Fournier received the consolation gifts. Sandwiches, coffee, ice cream and cake were served before adjournment.

Mission at St. Joseph's Church, Mission San Jose

The Rev. J. V. Azevedo of Sacramento and the Rev. Henry I. Stark of San Francisco will conduct a week's mission at St. Joseph's Church Mission San Jose, commencing Sunday, March 26, at the mass at 10:30 o'clock.

The first four days the sermons will be in Portuguese, the last four days the sermons will be in English. During the week the services will consist of mass and short instruction at 6:30 and 8:30 o'clock. In the evening at 7:30 o'clock there will be special mission services and a sermon. All are invited.

A Mission comprises a special course of sermons and instructions given by priests specially trained for this work, virtually bringing before your mind the great truths of salvation and forcibly bringing you to a sense of duty in the all-important business of saving your soul.

"What doth it profit a man if he gain the whole world, and suffer the loss of his own soul?"—Matthew xvi, 26.

Niles Bridge Club Meets

The Niles Bridge Club held its regular meeting with Mrs. C. H. Hatch last Tuesday. On account of its nearness to St. Patrick's Day the luncheon was made to honor the day by the members being dressed in green or with green adornments presenting a gay appearance. The table cover was decorated with Irish flags, sprays of shamrock and individual doylies with shamrock wreaths. After the delightful luncheon with social merriment cards followed until four o'clock. Mrs. Mayhew and Mrs. B. L. Lyson made highest scores for the afternoon. The next meeting will follow in two weeks, the date being March 28th, with Mrs. B. L. Lyson.

Decoto

The Decoto Chamber of Commerce held its regular meeting last Monday evening and elected the following officers: President, J. C. Sandholdt; vice president, John Abran; Secretary, Ben Goodkind; treasurer, J. L. Olson. The meeting discussed quite a number of subjects of interest to the community and it was decided to hold the meetings regularly in the future.

An effort will be made to have a large sign properly advertising Decoto's advantages erected near the State Highway where thousands of people pass by each Sunday.

The Southern Pacific section foreman's house is being painted this week.

One of Decoto's industries that gives employment to quite a number of people is the Willett and Burr repair yards. This company has carried out some pretty large contracts in road construction in various parts of the State during the past few years and it affords work to quite a number of people here at Decoto in keeping the big equipment in repair.

Word received from Albert Silva who is at present at Albuquerque, New Mexico, states that he is rapidly improving and expects to be greatly benefited by the stay.

Miss Dorris Whipple, formerly of Decoto, has been engaged to teach the Alta school at Towle, Placer County. She will be in her work in a couple of weeks. Miss Whipple has been recently substituting in Oakland. She will be enabled to live with her folks who are near Towle. Miss Whipple is a very efficient teacher and will undoubtedly make good.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Salz are spending a few weeks at Caronado in San Diego County.

Whittaker Holds Big Crowd Spell-bound

In Masterly Address, Noted Devine from Los Gatos Tells of "The Cosman;" Citizen of the World

Arraigns William Randolph Hearst and other War Makers who would Shed Blood of Soldiers for Profit

The largest crowd that has ever attended a service at the Congregational Church was present last Sunday evening and listened to a masterly address delivered by Rev. Whittaker of Los Gatos, who came to Niles at the request of the Men's League and delivered his famous lecture "The Cosman," a lecture that is destined to create a tremendous stir wherever it is delivered.

The word "Cosman" is a creation of Rev. Whittaker, and means a citizen of the world and Rev. Whittaker believes that before many more years have passed we will all be cosmen rather than citizens of any particular nation.

Rev. Whittaker prophesied that the President of the United States of the World is already born and before many years have passed will be in office.

He bitterly arraigned W. R. Hearst and his ilk for seeking to embroil the United States with other countries and pointed out that these men simply were seeking personal gain. Mr. Hearst, for instance, owns over a million acres of land in Mexico and intervention by the United States would mean an increase in the value of this property. An increase of $500 per acre would mean $5,000,000, in Mr. Hearst's pocket so of course he would like to have the United States intervene regardless of the cost in human lives.

Commenting upon the raid made by Villa on Columbus, N. M., Mr. Whittaker pointed out that while the affair was a deplorable one and no excuse could be made for the bandit, still a number of much greater catastrophies had occurred in the United States and no one forced to pay for the crimes. The Slocum disaster at Chicago was one of the instances cited by Mr. Whittaker. This disaster took a toll of about 1000 lives an dit was proven that the owners of this death ship knew she was unsafe—yet no one was called to account for the awful loss of life.

Rev. Whittaker is one of the most interesting speakers that has ever come to Niles and he kept the entire congregation keyed up to a high pitch all evening.

After the service, the regular meeting of the Men's League was held and officers elected for the ensuing term.

Farewell Luncheon served by Local Ladies

Mrs. Clough and Mrs. Ford entertained at a charming "grandmothers" luncehon on Saturday last in honor of Mrs. Crothers and Mrs. Moore who left last Wednesday on their Eastern trip. The rooms and table were beautifully decorated with the flowering peach, in its varying shades of pink. Ten guests were seated at table, including Mesdames Ellsworth, L. B. Lyson, Fisher, Schofield, Chittenden, McHugh, Burgess, Mayhew, Moore and Crothers. The remaining afternoon hours were spent in needle work and conversation. The grounds about Mrs. Clough's home are especially beautiful just now in their spring bloom.

Put knowledge in your head and you can put dollars in your pocket. An I. C. S. scholarship is the solution. Address Box 265 Oakland, for information.

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RIGHT AND WRONG LESSONS

As the twig is bent, the tree is inclined. In Holland trees are trained to lie flat against a house wall like vines, or to have branches on only one side, and be bare on the other; and shrubs are made into odd shapes such as dishes and chairs and animals.

Children's minds are as completely in the power of parents and teachers, as are young trees and shrubs in the hands of the gardener. Train up a child to be kind, and when he is grown he will be kind. Train up a child to be cruel, and when he is grown he will be cruel.

Toy whips and toy guns and toy soldiers teach children the wrong lessons. They teach lessons of cruelty and war. Tools and building blocks and a garden teach the right lessons of constructive and helpful work.

A rubber image of an animal, one that when pinched makes a noise like a cry of pain, is sometimes given to a child too young to know about live animals and pain. When, later, the child pinches the kitten or kicks the dog, he is putting into practice the lesson a careless parent taught him. Children are frequently punished for faults that are the direct results of earlier lessons in misbehavior.

The spirit of contsruction can be cultivated by the use of toys that are chosen with that object in mind. Pictures of buildings and invention, pictures of kindness and happiness, pictures of helpfulness make as vivid and lasting an impression upon the youthful mind as pictures of destruction, and cruelty, and selfishness and are better for the children themselves, as well as for all those within the circle of their influence.

There are better books for children than ever before. There are books that recognize the heroism of firemen, life savers, teachers, and nurses and those men and women who have been leaders in the world of ideas and true progress.

When the right seed is planted, the right crop follows.

With these points in view the following powerful appeal is being sent out by the famous educators whose names are signed below:

TO THE TEACHERS OF THE WORLD:

In your hands more than in any other lies the future of the world. You must choose whether you will train the rising generation in the militaristic spirit that has engulfed Europe in death, desolation, and misery, or, whether you will use your every endeavor to counteract the legacy of hate that will be bequeathed to the children, and will teach them that only in the time of peace is the progress of the world possible.

We appeal to you to join with us in a world wide protest against military training in our schools as detrimental to the self control and originality of the youths subjected to it. If this world is to swing hapily along in its course, it must be peopled by courageous free men and women, not by races subordinated by the cowardly servility bred by military autocracy.

We appeal to you to demand the re-writing of all text books in history, so that wholesale murderers may no longer be crowned as heroes, but instead, the story may be told of those who by their insight and imagination have blazed the trail to new realms of thought or have made life easier or more enjoyable by their inventive genius.

In a word we appeal to you to teach the truth to the children under your care, so that they may no longer be dazzled and blinded by the glittering lies of militarism, but shall see clearly that progress and peace dwell together, and that the highest happiness is reached when the world is our country, humanity ou rrace.

(Signed) KATE DEVEREUX, New York.
GRACE DE GRAFF, Portland, Oregon.
FLORENCE HOLBROOK, Chicago.

WORTHY OF OUR THOUGHT

Now that the travel on the State Highway is in full swing, there is a lesson that ought to come home to the people of Washington Township. The thousands of people who throng the highway every Sunday have a chance to compare our section with the other sections through which they travel. A few hours run on the Wishbone route around San Francisco Bay brings into view one of the finest parts of California. It enables the thousands of people who are out for an outing to note the disadvantages as well as the advantages of the various sections through which they pass. It is etsimated that over ten thousand automobiles passed over the foothill boulevard last Sunday. How do you think for instance a town like Niles compared with such towns as Burlingame and San Mateo and Hayward and San Leandro in the eyes of the thousands of people last Sunday? Can we in this section hope to compete with such towns as residence sections? The coming of the State Highway with its thousands of travelers every Sunday has brought us into prominence. Whether that prominence is to be favorable or unfavorable will depend upon the favorable or unfavorable comparison which our towns afford beside the other towns along this popular highway. We can not escape the comparison.

Isn't it necessary for us to realize the situation? It may be cheaper to remain an unincorporated community but how about the contrast with the incorporated towns?

THE MEXICAN SITUATION.

Apparently we are drifting toward the inevitable with Mexico. In spite of the diplomacy of the present administration which has certainly shown the limit of forbearance toward Mexico, we are about as near to forcible intervention as we can be. Unless some miraculous change shall come over our neighbors to the south we are booked for the disagreeable duty of making them behave like civilized people. It is very likely before we are through with the job that we shall become involved with the various contending factions. It is certainly a grave situation and if we succeed in straightening out Mexico and still retain the confidence of the nations of South America we will have great reason to congratulate ourselves. It is a situation that will demand deliberate action in order that our justification may be complete. The situation calls for patience and extreme forbearance. It will be serious enough before the job is finally completed. And when completed let us hope that both Americas will be cemented by ties that shall enable them to face the problems of the coming century with a union that shall make it possible to preserve the best aspirations of the race here in the New World.

WILL TRY TO OTISIZE THE PARTY.

The so-called Regular Republican ticket is purely an Otis movement to capture the Republican party of California for the benefit of the old reactionary machine crowd. The recent so-called Regular convention was dominated by the Otis contingent from Los Angeles. In Los Angeles the brand of Otis was on its every feature. It was called by an Otis henchman, and presided over by an Otis ringer, and every motion was made by an Otis tool. At the San Francisco gathering everything was done by, and for the benefit of the old crowd that did its best to knife the Republican ticket four years ago.

The only way to keep the old machine crowd from again getting control of the party and beginning the work of undoing what has been done for the people of this State is to defeat them decisively at the May primary.

It is one of the significant features of the Regular movement that it has named Peter Crosby for delegate to the national convention. Mr. Crosby's efforts to deliver the Alvarado section over to the People's Water Co. two years ago is still fresh in our minds. Crosby is a good type of the kind of Republicans back of the Regular movement.

REGISRATION FOR MAY PRIMARY.

All voters who wish to vote at the presidential primary election in May should register at once.

Voters should bear in mind that no matter how you declare your party affiliation you can vote any party ticket you please at the May primary. For instance, if you decline to state your party affiliation when you register you can still call for any party ticket at the May primary. The only possible disadvantage in this is that if the referendum against the present primary law should succeed in tying it up it may be necessary to register before the August primary.

THE MAIN THING IS TO REGISTER AT LEAST THIRTY DAYS BEFORE THE MAY PRIMARY **in order to be entitled to vote.**

No. of Bank 339

REPORT OF CONDITION

OF THE

Bank of Centerville

At Centerville, Cal., as of the close of business on the 4th day of March, 1916

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	$415,923.30
Overdrafts	None
Bonds	122,382.29
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures	6,000.00
Due from Reserve Banks	104,926.56
Due from Other Banks	44,989.55
Actual cash on Hand	38,676.00
Total	$732,897.70

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	$ 75.000.00
Surplus	7,000.00
Undivided Profits, Less Expenses and Taxes paid	4,325.85
Individual Deposits subject to check	186,169.74
Demand Certificates of Deposits	980.00
Time Certificates of Deposit	417,195.23
Cashier's Checks	6,541.76
State, County and Municipal Deposits	35,000.00
Postal Savings Deposits	685.12
Total	$732,897.70

State of California, County of Alameda, ss.

Jno. G. Mattos Jr., President and F. T. Dusterberry, Secretary (Cashier) of Bank of Centerville, being duly sworn, each for himself, says he has a personal knowledge of the matters contained in the foregoing report of condition and that every allegation, statement, matter and thing therein contained, is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Severally subscribed and sworn to before me by both deponents, the 11th day of March, 1916. Leonora C. Mattos, Notary Public in and for said County of Alameda, State of California.

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LODGE MEETINGS

ALAMEDA LODGE, F. & A. M. Stated meetings at Masonic Temple, Centerville, for 1915: January 30, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 22, June 26, July 24, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20, December 18.

E. M. GRIMMER, W. M.
A. T. BIDDLE, Secretary.

NILES LODGE, NO. 382, I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening at Niles.

W. O. FORD, N. G.
N. P. HANSEN, V. G.
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MAPLE CAMP NO. 146, W. O. W.—Meets every Second and Fourth Fridays of the Month in Stevenson's Hall, Centerville.

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The State Commission of Immigration and Housing, which was charged with the enforcement of the Labor Camp Sanitation Act by the last legislature, has just secured a conviction in the first criminal prosecution instituated under the provisions of this law. Clint Miller a contractor who has been operating a labor camp in connection with reclamation work near Knight's Landing, was convicted of violating the law and fined $25 in a trial at Woodland, the county seat of Yolo County.

Miller was charged with violating practically every section of the law. The evidence produced by the Commission's inspectors proved that the sleeping facilities were inadequate and unsanitary, that no toilets were provided, that the mess tent was unscreened and unclean and that the camp grounds were wet and strewn with garbage and refuse. It was shown that the laborers had been required to sleep on the wet ground—no bunks or cots being provided. The judge imposed a comparatively light fine because only some seven or eight workers were housed in the camp, and Miller had turned over the camp to another contractor between the first and second inspections made by the State Housing Commission. The principal of the law, however, was setteled to the effect that the operator of a labor camp can be held criminally liable for violation of the camp sanitation law, although no civil action has been previously taken to have the camp declared unsanitary. This is a strong tool in the hands of the state authorities, and the Commission has announced that all violators of the law will be vigorously prosecuted henceforth. For more than a year general inspections of over one thousand labor camps have been made and owners instructed and warned of the requirements; but henceforth the Commission has announced a policy of rapid follow-up inspections and prosecutions.

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(Address delivered by Prof. Weller before Parent-Teachers Association at ther last meeting.)

In our modern system of education we have almost lost sight of the three R's of our fathers. We have polished them and twisted them and moulded them and patted them just as we have many of those good old-fashioned ideas until they have become almost unrecognizable. And then to make them more palatable we have given them a liberal coating of sugar.

The first of the three R's, the R that was the most important to our earlier mentors the R that like Abou Ben Adhem should lead all the rest yet which seems to be on the slippery edge of nowhere in our present educational system—is the R that I have taken for my subject tonight.

Have you ever watched a great printing press pouring out its tons of reading matter to be consumed at thousands of tables with the breakfast porridge or a great magazine press turning out Best Sellers with the regularity and nonchalance of the home sausage grinder?

There must come to one who watches these mighty wheels in their ceasless grinding a feeling of awe, awe at the great power that has come to the first of the three R's from the perfection of "theart preservative of all arts."

We have invented machines to write for us—the second of the three R's is on the decline. We have machines that can add, multiply and divide, compute interest, yes, and keep the books of that most complicated of bookkeeping emporiums, a bank, without the possibility of an error in the totals, without a thought from the operator after the amount has entered the machine.

But the first of the R's. What would we do without our magazines and newspapers? What would we do without our circulating libraries? What would we do without that treasure store in the corner of the parlor where old Shakespeare and Milton rub shoulders wit hthe family Bible and frown at a gaudy covered Best Seller in the neighboring shelf?

I shall attempt to emphasize three points in the discussion of the problem of the first R. In the first place that which might be called the WHY of Reading the necessity of reading as a means of mental development second, the HOW of Reading the necessity of intelligent reading and a departure from the automatic word by word translation of the printed page into speech; and third and finally, the WHAT of Reading, the need of selection and careful guidance in that great mass of material that comes daily from the publishing houses of the country.

We are very careful in keeping the child from things of physical harm and from the home of disease, but are we careful in preserving the mental cleanliness and general welfare of the younger generation when we thrust them forth with their over-curious minds to wander through those mental paths that dwarf and degrade the mental power instead of leading them to the paths that lead to intelligent citizenship?

We are living in an age of speed, in a land where this mania for hurry and excitement is carried to an extreme. Our nerves are under a constant strain. There seems little time for calm, little time for sober thought, and cold, calculating reason. We are shoved along in this mad race by those behind us, powerless to halt, to lift ourselves out of the press, to consider a "why" or a "whither." We cannot slacken our speed to enjoy the passing scenery. If we stop to pluck a flower, our automobile is panting restlessly by, calling on us to hurry. Speed, speed, speed, what a dizzy, giddy, kaleidoscopic effect do we get from life! The hurrying throng cries with Rousseau, "The man who thinks is a depraved animal" and hastens on to enjoy what someone else has given them at the cost of a life of thought.

And yet, in spite of this, we are confidently looking forward to further advance in science, literature, and art, for further wonders in the mastery of the air, for newer marvels in the heavens, indeed, for a new mathematics, a new chemistry, a new art, and a new literature.

We can well reecho the words of Ruskin, "You are despising science, art and nature," he told his auditors forty years ago. "The very cheapness of literature is causing its neglect. We seize the invention which we know will turn money into our treasuries and promptly forget the inventor. If somebody pays for his own telescope and discovers another nebula we cackle over the discovery as if it were our own. If you heard that all the art treasurers of Europe were burned in one great holocaust, it would worry you but little. The French revolutionists made stables of the cathedrals of France. You said Ruskin, and his words come home to us with even a more startling significance today, "have made stables of the cathedrals of the earth. The Alps themselves which your own poets used to love so reverently you look upon as soaped poles in a bear garden which you set yourselves to climb and slide down again with shrieks of delight.

"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom. She shall give thine head an ornament of grace, a crown of glory. Take fast hold of instruction. Let her not go for she is thy life."

These maxims that have come down to us through the ages, that have stimulated many a man in the pursuit of life, of life in its best sense, should not be forgotten today. For, today wit hthe opportunities opening up on every side, in many a field undreamt of by our ancestors, we have need of a much more rigid training than those who lived a century ago. The successful man, the man who is to step ahead in the work of today must be trained to the point where natural ability arrived in the past generation. "To exist today" someone has said, "one must be a genius."

For the best development of the child, then, we must cultivate the power to select the books that he is to read.

One great reason that our so called classics are so neglected today that they force the reader to use his imagination; we are compelled to think an dthe lazy habits developed by a diet of modern novels has made the book worth while almost a dose of quinine to the depraved palate of the modern reader.

How few there are nowadays among the reading public who know what it is to read, to revel with hero or heroine in classic legend and tale with imagination unfettered by problems, the problems of every life solving themselves by the very vigor and virility of the blood and iron of those old stories. Although you have, like Shakespeare, little latin and less Greek, you have the whole treasury of Roman and Greek literature open to you through translations and it is far better in many ways to follow a good translator than stumble through a great book with a faulty knowledge of the content. There are few books worth reading in foreign literature that have not been translated into English. One can know Horace and Maecenas and meet Propertius, Catullus, Tibullus and Ovid at his own fireside. Or spend the day with Vergil on his Sabine farm. It is true you fail to get the beautiful meter of the original, the rythm cannot be carried over into English but the thought and spirit is there so that he who runs may read. The greatest epic that the world has known outside the Bible is the Iliad and Odessey of Homer and one cannot spend a more profitable day than in browsing in those songs of war The poet Keats not having a knowledge of Greek was given a translation of Homer and from its reading came one of the greatest sonnets of the English language.

This year we celebrate the tercentennial of the greatest poet in English literature, William Shakespeare. What better time to develop interest in the first of the three R's. Let us have more reading aloud by our students, at home and in the schools, more stimulation of the imagination of the child by getting him to realize that he is an actor in this stage of life. Develop the dramatic instinct in the child and we are developing an interest in literature and in the things that count most for the enjoyment of life.

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Schedule for March, 1916

Tuesday, Mar. 21, Irvington Center at Library Hall, Irvington.
Frfiday, Mar. 24, Centerville Center at Stevenson Bldg., Centerville
Monday, Mar. 27, Newark Center at Chamber of Commerce, Newark.
Wednesday, Mar. 29, Niles Center at Chamber of Commerce, Niles.

J. A. Fray, manager for the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pennsylvania, who is conducting a campaign in enrolling students in Niles and vicinity for the various courses offered by the I. C. S., says that since the opening of the I. C. S. in 1891 they have enrolled nearly 2,000,000 students in this and other counties an dthat there are now about 125,000 studying with the schools.

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At Alvarado, Cal., as of the close of business on the 4th day of March, 1916.

LIABILITIES

Loans and Discounts	$366,877.25
Bonds, Warrants and Other Securities	100,000.00
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures	14,000.00
Due from Reserve Banks	187,835.10
Actual Cash on Hand	38,087.32
Total	$706,799.67

RESOURCES

Capital Stock paid in	$65,000.00
Surplus	1,500.00
Undivided Profits, Less Expenses and Taxes paid	7,163.79
Individual Deposits subject to check	193,660.13
Time Certificates of Deposit	408,687.21
Certified Checks	13.54
Cashier's Checks	775.00
State, County and Municipal Deposits	30,000.00
Total	$706,799.67

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA, SS.

August May, President (Vice-President), and J. R. Blacow Secretary (Cashier) of Bank of Alameda County, being duly sworn each for himself, says he has a personal knowledge of the matters contained in the foregoing report of condition and that every allegation, statement, matter and thing therein contained, is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Severally subscribed and sworn to before me by both deponents, the 9th day of March, 1916. Christena M. Anderson, Notary Public in and for said County of Alameda, State of California.

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Resources.

Loans and Discounts	$ 66,363.75
Bonds, Warrants and Other Securities	19,484.20
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures	9,000.00
Other Real Estate Owned	1,500.00
Due from Other Banks	49,181.00
Actual Cash on Hand	$. 10,047.89
TOTAL	$155,576 84

Labilities.

Capital Stock Paid in	$ 25,000.00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	893.20
Other existing profits collected but not in undivided	
Individual Deposits subject to check	62,914.52
Time Certificates of Deposit	60,922.42
State, County and Municipal Deposits	5,000.00
Postal Savings Deposits	846.70
TOTAL	$155,576 84

State of California, County of Alameda.—ss.

August May, President, and Chas. Evans, Secretary (Cashier) of Niles State Bank, beng duly sworn, each for himself, says he has a personal knowledge of the matters contained in the foregoing report of condition and that every allegation, statement, matter and thing therein contained, is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

AUGUST MAY, Presdent.
CHAS. EVANS, Secretary (Cashier).

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Alvarado

The grammar school is having its mid-term vacation and the children and the teachers are jubilant. Miss Bunker is spending the week in San Francisco and Miss Lyle in Oakland.

Mr. Henry Lawrence, butcher for Lowrie Bros., has purchased a new 1916 Indian. Speed-cops beware.

Walter and Victor Lund are employed in the erection of new buildings on the Shilling place near Jarvis Landing. Mr. Shillink contemplates raising wild ducks on a large scale.

The sermon at the Presbyterian church this Sunday evening will dwell on the mistakes of Robert Ingersoll.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Robie have moved into the Nauert cottage on Vallejo street.

The Alameda Sugar Co. reports a large acreage of beets contracted for this coming season. With the present high prices, the sugar industry is flourishing.

J. A. Fry, local representative of the International Correspondence Schools, would be glad to advise with those who desire to qualify themselves for any particular line of work. Address P. O. Box 265, Oakland, Cal.

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Centerville

Manuel Avilla who has been ill for some time past is able to be up and around the house.

An election will be held at the school house on Friday, April 7th, for the purpose of selecting a grammar school trustee, the term of F. T. Dusterberry having expired.

The Chamber of Commerce recently asked the S. P. to furnish some gravel for the purpose of repairing the streets at the crossings, and in answer to the request three car loads arrived early this week and the gravel is being spread under the direction of Roadmaster J. J. Santos.

Fred Rogers, proprietor of the new poolroom and bowling alley was quietly married last week in San Leandro to Miss Nellie Collins of San Diego. The bride is well known in the township, having been associated with the Westley Hotel for some time. The bride and groom are kept busy acknowledging the congratulations of their many friends.

F. T. Hawes announces that he is a candidate to succeed himself as high school trustee. The election will be held on April 7th at the local school and two trustees are to be elected, the terms of J. C. Shinn and F. T. Hawes having expired. Mr. Hawes has been a high school trustee for about ten years.

Dr. Alice B. Dias is in Centerville to accommodate her patients on Wednesday and Sunday of each week.

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Newark

There will be the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and reception of members at the Presbyterian Church Sabbath morning. Subject of sermon, by Dr. Curry, "The Marriage Supper of the Lamb." Evening, "Great Results Through Weak Agencies."

Dr. and Mrs. James Curry attended the installation of their nephew, Rev. Howard I. Kerr, as pastor of the Brooklyn Presbyterian church, Oakland, on a recent Sabbath. Dr. Curry took part in the services.

Extensive improvements are being made in two large tracts of land near Newark. A great many men are employed, and it is difficult to find rooms to accommodate the mall.

Election of trustees for both high and grammar school will be held on the afternoon of April 7th, at the grammar school.

SUNDAY SERVICES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Sunday, March 19, 1916.
10 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a. m. Preaching service: "Blindness, Desirable and Undesirable."
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